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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON: F. ALAN, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E.C. GEORGE STREET & CO., 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GOWEN, Ludgate Circus, E.C. BATES HERVEY & CO., 37, Walbrook, E.C. SAMUEL DEACON & CO., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street.
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CHINA: Mazzoni, Messrs. A. A. de MELLO & CO., Shanghai. Quiggin & CO., Amoy. Wicks, Nichols & CO., Foochow. Huxley & CO., Shantou. Lane, Crawford & CO., and Kelly & WALSH, Yokohama. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.,

Bank.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.
(Incorporated in London on 18th July, 1884, under the Companies Acts 1862, to 1883.)

LONDON BANKERS: UNION BANK OF LONDON, LTD. BANK OF SCOTLAND, LONDON.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DE-

PONTS
At 3 months' notice 3% per Annum.
" 6 " " 4 1/2 " "
" 12 " " 5 % "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

J. MELVILLE MATSON,
Manager.
Hongkong, September 15, 1884. 1550

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I HAVE Admitted Mr. NOORMAHMED JAIRAZBHOY PEERBOY, as a PARTNER in my Firm, carried on at BOMBAY, HONGKONG and SHANGHAI, in my own Name, from Kartak Sood till Swant Year 1941 (19th October, 1884), and the said Firm will henceforth be designated and carried on under the Style of JAIRAZBHOY PEERBOY & CO.

JAIRAZBHOY PEERBOY,
Bombay, November 10, 1884. 2019

NOTICE.

WITH Reference to the above, Mr. JAFFERBHOY KHETSEY is authorized to Stow our Firms in China from this date.

JAIRAZBHOY PEERBOY & CO.
Hongkong, December 8, 1884. 2000

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For Sale.

MARSHEN, FRICKEL & CO.
No. 53, Queen's Road East,
(OPPOSITE THE COMMISSIONERS),
ARE NOW
LANDING FROM AMERICA.

FRESH ROLL BUTTER.
TOPOCAN Do.
Eastern and California CHEESE.
CODEFISH, Boned.
Prime HAMS and BACON.
Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.
Family BEEF in 26 lb. bags.
Beau Ideal SALMON in 16 lb. cans.
Cutting's Desert FRUITS in 24 lb. cans.
Assorted FRUIT and VEGETABLES.
Pork SAUSAGE and Sausage
MEAT.
Stuffed PEPPERS.
Assorted SOUPS.
Richardson & Hobbin's Celebrated Potted
MEATS.
Lamb TONGUES.
Clam CHOWDER.
Fresh OREGON SALMON.
Dried APPLES.
BUCCOCAH.
Maple SYRUP.
Golden SYRUP.
Cereals WHEAT.
HOMINY.
HONEY.
Queen OLIVES.

FAIRBANKS' SCALES.
DEVOE'S NONPAREIL KEROSINE OIL.

K A I S A R - I - H I N D ' CIGARETTES
in crystallized Boxes of 100 at \$6.50 per mille.

SPORTING AND RIFLE GUNPOWDER
in 1-lb. Tins.

AGATE IRON WARE.
INSECTICIDE BUBBER.
TUCK'S PATENT PACKING.

HOLMES' DISTRESS SIGNALS.
HITCHCOCK HOUSE LAMPS.
PERFECTION STUDENT LAMPS.

PAINTS and OILS.
TALLOW and TAR.
PITCH and ROSIN.

Ex-late Arrivals from
ENGLAND.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
S T O R E S,
including:

CHRISTMAS CAKES.
PLUM PUDDING.
MINCE MEAT.
CRYSTALLIZED FRUITS.

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CURRANTS.
FIGS.
CANDIED PEEL.

FINE YORK HAMS.
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BREAKFAST TONGUES.
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ALMONDS and RAISINS.
FRENCH PLUMS.
TEYSONIA'S DESSERT FRUITS.
JORDON ALMONDS.

COOKING STOVES.
PARLOUR STOVES.

CLARETS—
CHATEAU MARGAUX.
CHATEAU LA TOUR, pints & quarts.
BRES. GRAVES,
" BREAKFAST CLARET," "

BERRIES & PORT—
SAUCONY'S MANZANILLA & AMON.
TILLADO.
SAUCONY'S OLD INVALID PORT
(1849).
HUTCH'S PORT.

BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.
1 and 3-star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.
GODINGER'S BRANDY.
HORN'S OLD BOURBON WHISKY.
KELAHAN'S LL WHISKY.
ROYAL GLENLEE WHISKY.
ROSE'S LIME JUICE JORDON CORDIAL.
NOULLY PRAE & CO.'S VERMOUTH.
JAMISON'S WHISKY.
MARSHAL.

RASTERN CIDER.
CHARTREUSE.
MARASCHINO.
OURACAO.
ANGOSTURA, BOKER'S and ORANGE BITTERS.
etc., etc., etc.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and
SAUNDERS, pints and quarts.

GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. &
J. BURKE, pints and quarts.

DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the
Gallon.

ALE and PORTER, in hogheads.

SPECIALTY SHIELDED

C I G A R S.

Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in
6-oz. Boxes.

BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

MILTON'S PATENT FIREPROOF
SAVES, CASH and PAPER
BOXES, at Manufacturer's Prices.

Hongkong, December 16, 1884. 2127

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL.

SATURDAY EVENING,
27th December, 1884.

'THE SNOWDROPS.'
(By Special Desire),
will give their
SECOND GRAND ETHIOPIAN
DRAWING-ROOM
ENTERTAINMENT.

COMMENCING AT 9 P.M.

Tickets may be obtained and Seats secured at Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.'s, on and after Monday, 22nd instant.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:
Dress Circle and Stalls, 80.
Back Seats, 51.

Hongkong, December 17, 1884. 2128

THE GAIETY COMPANY.
Sole Proprietor, GEO. NORVILLE.

FROM THE THEATRE ROYAL, Calcutta;

THE GAIETY THEATRE, Bowbys.

Patrons: T. R. H. THE DUKE and DUCHESS, of Connaught.
His Excellency The MARQUIS of Ripon,
His Excellency Sir James Ferguson,
etc., &c., &c.

WILL IF POSSIBLE GIVE
TWO PERFORMANCES,
en route, for Shanghai.

THE FIRST PERFORMANCE
will be
GILBERT'S CLASSICAL COMEDY,
entitled

PYGMALION & GALATEA.

AT THE SECOND PERFORMANCE,
will be presented

A HUSBAND IN CLOVER,

And the

ORIENTAL BURLESQUE.

BROWN & THE BRAHMINS.

Full Particulars will be duly announced on the arrival of the Company.

The Plan of the Theatre may be seen and Seats secured at Messrs. KELLY & WALSH's, Hongkong, December 11, 1884. 2076

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PITCH and ROSIN.

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To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

The Steamship
Captain T. S. GARDNER,
will be despatched for the
above Ports TO-MORROW, the 24th Inst.,
at 3 p.m., instead of as previously notified.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 23, 1884. 2128

Not Responsible for Debits.

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIRO.

The Steamship
Captain D. V. BELL,
will be despatched for the
above Ports at 4 p.m. TO-MORROW,
the 24th Inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 23, 1884. 2129

Not Responsible for Debits.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Co.'s Steamship
Capt. S. ASHWORTH,
will be despatched for the
above Ports on THURSDAY, the 25th instant, at
Daylight, instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.,
General Masques.
Hongkong, December 23, 1884. 2130

Not Responsible for Debits.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA
OVERLAND RAILWAYS, and TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, and SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. MAIL CITY OF
RIO DE JANEIRO will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 6th January, at 3 p.m., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japanese Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and Touching Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to French and German Passengers by all trans-Atlantic Lines of Steamers.

Passenger Passages—Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20% from Return Fare; if re-embarking within one year, an allowance of 10% will be made from Return Fare; Pre-Paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 25% from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4 p.m. the day previous to sailing; Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m., same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consignee's Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to ports beyond San Francisco should be sent to the Company's Agent in San Francisco, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 604, Queen's Road Central.

F. E. POSTLE, Agent.

Hongkong, December 23, 1884. 2103

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

TO LET.

THE DWELLING HOUSE, No. 34,
CAINE ROAD. Possession from 1st
January, 1885.

Apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.

Hongkong, December 23, 1884. 2104

FOR SWATOW AND BANGKOK.

THE SCOTTISH ORIENTAL STEAM-
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Company's Steamer
Capt. H. L. CHOM KHAN,
will be despatched for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 27th Inst., at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

YUEN FAH HONG,
Agents.

Hongkong, December 23, 1884. 2100

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Hongkong, December 23, 1884. 2105

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Hongkong, December 23, 1884. 2106

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THE DWELLING HOUSE, No. 34,
CAINE ROAD. Possession from

THE CHINA MAIL.

[No. 6682.—DECEMBER 23, 1884.]

Mails.

Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company.
TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE Steamship *ARABIC* will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 24th December, at 3 p.m.
Connection being made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan ports.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office, until 8 p.m., the day previous to sailing.

RETURN PASSENGERS—Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within six months, will be allowed a discount of 20% from Return Fare; Pre-Paid Return Passage Orders, available for one year, will be issued at a Discount of 25% from Return Fare. These allowances do not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

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F. E. FOSTER,
Agent.
Hongkong, December 13, 1884. 2104

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIKON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, NAPLES, MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA; ALSO BORDEAUX, LE HAVRE, DUNKIRK, LONDON AND ANTWERP.

ON TUESDAY, the 30th December, 1884, at noon, the Company, S. A. NATAF, Commandant Poyson, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 29th December, 1884. (Parcels not to be sent on board; must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, December 17, 1884. 2131

INSURANCES.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.
INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER OF HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE THE FIRST, A.D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:

MARINE Department.

Policies at current rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £1,000 at reduced rates.

HOLIDAY, WISE & CO.

Hongkong, July 25, 1884. 496

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

THE Under-signed having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to grant POLICIES ON MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World, at current rates.

ARNHOLD, KARBEG & CO.

Hongkong, November 5, 1883. 855

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Under-signed, Agents of the above Company, are authorized to insure against FIRE at Current Rates.

GILMAN & CO.

Hongkong, January 1, 1882. 14

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLION STERLING.

THE Under-signed are prepared to grant POLICIES against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on Board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposed Life Assurances will be received and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

Unrequired protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

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